

# Separatist Sentiment In Iran Is Rising

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**The street protests that have** taken place in Iran this summer are of two kinds. First, there are continued protests against the mismanagement of the economy, the corruption of the Islamic Republic's leaders, and the continued transfer of Iranian wealth to support such proxies and allies as the Houthis in Yemen, Kata'ib Hezbollah in Iraq, and especially, Hezbollah in Lebanon, the terror group supported by \$700 million transferred annually from Iran. Second, there are the demonstrations by ethnic minorities, who make up 50% of Iran's population, and bristle under the continued dominance of the Persians.

A report on the recent displays of separatist sentiment, focusing on Arab-populated Ahwaz Province, is here: "Dismantle the Islamic Republic," by Mordechai Kedar, [Jihad Watch](#).